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In re application: Ronald R. Marquardt, et al.

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**PROPOSED AMENDMENT UNDER RULE 1.116**

Assistant Commissioner of Patents  
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Washington, D.C. 20231

Dear Sir:

This is in response to the Office Action dated July 22, 2002, Paper Number 11. Please enter the following amendments to the application in order to place the application in condition for allowance or at least in better condition for appeal. Please amend the application consistent with the instructions found attached hereto: